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Sir:

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED MARCH 18, 2009

(INCLUDING PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136)

This paper is responsive to the Office Action dated March 18, 2009 in the above referenced application, in which a shortened statutory period of one month was set for reply. Applicant hereby makes petition for extension of time of three (3) months in which to submit the present response. Authorization is provided herewith to charge the fee required under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(3) to Deposit Account No. 08-0750.

Restriction requirement

By the present Action, Applicant is required under 35 U.S.C. §121 and §372 to restrict the application to one of the following groups:

- I. Claims 9, 28 and 72–82: therapeutic combination claims; and
- II. Claims 10–27 and 29–71: method claims for treating depression.